

## ORDER CONFIRMING SALE OF DEFENDANT VESSEL

This case came before the Court upon the arrest of the Defendant Vessel.

On April 21, 2008 Plaintiff's Motion for Interlocutory Vessel Sale came on for hearing. Having duly considered the Points and Authorities in Support of Motion for Interlocutory Sale of Vessel, the record on file in this action, and good cause therefor appearing, the Court granted Plaintiff's Motion for Interlocutory Sale of Defendant Vessel. The United States Marshal accordingly caused the Defendant Vessel to be sold at public auction, which occurred on May 14, 2008. Plaintiff was permitted by the Court's April 21, 2008 Order to credit bid at the auction

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of the Defendant Vessel a sum equal to its secured interest in the Defendant Vessel, consisting of the lien amount specified in the Verified Complaint (\$11,289.83) plus costs of suit through the date of the sale, including U.S. Marshal and other *custodia legis* expenses specified in Plaintiff's Motion for Interlocutory Vessel Sale and Authorization to Credit Bid.

No one apart from Plaintiff bid at the auction. Plaintiff bid the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) and was hence the sole, high and successful bidder.

With respect to the confirmation of the sale, the Court finds that there are no grounds to set aside the sale. Local Admiralty Rule 14c provides that: "[i]f within three (3) days, exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays, no written objection is filed, the sale shall stand confirmed as of course . . . except that no sale shall stand confirmed until the buyer has complied fully with the terms of his purchase."

No objection to the sale having been timely filed by any party, it is hereby **ORDERED THAT THE SALE IS CONFIRMED**; and

It is **FURTHER ORDERED** that the U.S. Marshal issue to the successful bidder an original Bill of Sale (Dept. Of Transportation Form CG 1356 (Rev. 82) and one certified copy, and to file one copy with the Clerk of the Court and a third copy for the U.S. Marshal Service; and

It is **FURTHER ORDERED** that the Substitute Custodian appointed in this action is hereby released of further duties in this action, and that the U.S. Marshal forthwith accordingly notify the substitute custodian that it has been relieved of further duties in this action.

It is **FURTHER ORDERED** that upon completion of its duties specified in this Order the U.S. Marshal shall be relieved of all further custodial duties in this action.

Dated: May 24, 2008

United States District Judge